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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of TESHIMA, Takashi, KATO, Masaki, FUKUMOTO, Takatomo
DRY TONER FOR ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHY, AND ITS PRODUCTION
PROCESS

Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION

Our Ref: Q78275

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/959,952 (Confirmation No.6797) filed November 13, 2001 of TESHIMA, Takashi, KATO, Masaki, and FUKUMOTO, Takatomo entitled DRY TONER FOR ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHY, AND ITS PRODUCTION PROCESS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 1 sheet of drawing, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1756.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/959,952 filed November 13, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Japan | 2000-066300 | March 10, 2000 |
| Japan | 2000-072335 | March 15, 2000 |

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/959,952.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total claims | <u>4</u> - 20 | = | <u> </u> | x | \$18.00 | = | <u> </u> | \$0.00 |
| Independent claims | <u>3</u> - 3 | = | <u> </u> | x | \$86.00 | = | <u> </u> | \$0.00 |
| Base Fee | | | | | | | | \$770.00 |

TOTAL FILING FEE

\$770.00



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A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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